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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action, mailed December 11, 2003, Applicant offers the following amendment and response and requests reconsideration of the above-captioned application.

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Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, the Applicant believes that presently pending claims 1, 3-16, 18-20, and 41-50 present allowable subject matter and allowance is respectfully requested. If any impediment to the allowance of these claims remains after consideration of the above remarks, and such impediment could be resolved during a telephone interview, the Examiner is invited to telephone Brad Haymond at (541) 715-0159 so that such issues may be resolved as expeditiously as possible.

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